



THREE RIVERS LEVEE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

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A progress report of the various phases of the Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (TRLIA) project is provided in the followings sections of this document.

Levee Design and Construction Work

Phase 2 Levee Repair - Bear River Station 131 and easterly, Western Pacific Interceptor Canal and Yuba River from just east of Highway 70 to the Union Pacific Railroad: Pump Station No 6 replacement is complete and power provided. Rock riprap placement and all other work along the WPIC and upper Bear is complete. The only remaining work on the Yuba seepage berm is the covering of the berm with topsoil and placement of cobblestone at the toe of the berm and should be complete by December 15.

Phase 3 Construction – Bear River Setback Levee between the Feather River Levee and the limit of Phase 2 Construction: All work is done and this reach of the Bear now has 200-year protection. Just a few minor punch lists items remain and should be completed by the end of December. Initial planting of the setback restoration area should be complete by December 10.

Phase 4 – Yuba River Levee between the Union Pacific Railroad and the Goldfields: Work on the slurry wall installation contract between the Union Pacific Railroad and Simpson Lane is complete until a decision on raising the levee above the 1957 Design Profile is made. TRLIA is still waiting on the Reclamation Board staff to complete their review of the hydraulic analysis to determine if raising the levee will be allowed. Design is proceeding on the erosion problem that exists just downstream of the Goldfields. This was a site of erosion during the 1997 event.

Phase 4 – Feather River Levee between Bear and Yuba Rivers: TRLIA has divided this reach of levee into three segments. Segment 1 is from the Bear River Setback Levee (Project Levee Mile (PLM) 13.3) to Star Bend (PLM 17.1). Segment 2 is from Star Bend to a mile north of Murphy Road (PLM 23.6) and Segment 3 is from Murphy Road to the junction with the Yuba River South Levee (PLM 26.1) and the portion of the South Yuba Levee from PLM 0.0 to 0.3. Design continues on Segments 1 and 3 which will be strengthened in place with construction scheduled for the summer of 2007. Segment 2 is the subject of an alternatives analysis with a report scheduled for completion on December 22.

CEQA documentation for Phase 4 Feather levee improvements is nearing completion. The public comment period closed on September 18, 2006. The Final EIR including responses to comments and revisions to the report was issued on November 7. The TRLIA Board has not certified the EIR or made a selection on an alternative for Segment 2. These actions are not anticipated to occur until early 2007. This is to allow time to determine if the setback alternative is viable.